GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3262
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MEDICINAL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have identified medicinal plants in hills and forests of the country, particularly in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof, state-wise;

(c) whether the government have taken any steps for protection and development of existing medicinal plants, state-wise;

(a) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Plantation of medicinal plants has been declared as one of the Thrust Areas by the Ministry of Environment & Forests in 2000-01 and 18 projects for 18 States including Madhya Pradesh have been sanctioned exclusively for raising of medicinal plants on a pilot basis with an outlay of Rs 854.79 lakhs for treating an area of 5285 ha.

(d) A statement showing the state-wise details is annexed.

(e) Does not arise.